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Inventor(s): Andy Brown et al

Confirmation No.: 9916

Application No.: 09/964307

Examiner: AILES, Benjamin A

Filing Date: 09/26/2001.

Group Art Unit: 2142

Title: REDUCTION OF CONFIGURATION TIME UPON DEPLOYMENT OF A CONFIGURABLE
DEVICE IN A SHARED RESOURCE ENVIRONMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner For Patents
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

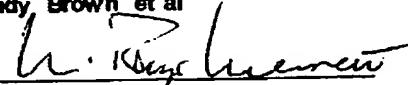
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INDEP. CLAIMS		MINUS		= 0	X \$200	\$ 0
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Respectfully submitted,

Andy Brown et al

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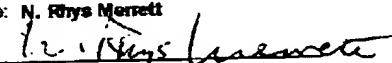
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Appl. No. 09/964,307
Response dated August 3, 2006
Reply to Office Action of July 25, 2006

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Applicants:	James T. BODNER et al.	§	Confirmation No.:	9916
Serial No.:	09/964,307	§	Group Art Unit:	2142
Filed:	09/26/2001	§	Examiner:	Benjamin A. Ailes
For:	Reduction Of Configuration Time Upon Deployment Of A Configurable Device In A Shared Resource Environment	§	Docket No.:	200302220-1
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RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

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Date: August 3, 2006

Sir:

In the Office Action mailed July 25, 2006, the Examiner has asserted that the pending claims are drawn to different inventions:

- I - claims 1, 5-7, 11-14 and 18-20.
- II – claim 23

Applicants elect claims 1, 5-7, 11-14 and 18-20 for further prosecution.

For completeness of response, Applicants note that the statement in the Remarks filed 19 April 2006, referenced by the Examiner, that "claim 23 provides alternative options for configuring a server . . . and that claim 23 is different from claim 1" is not an admission that claims 1 and 23 are or are not drawn to inventions that are distinct from each other in the context of 35 USC 121.

Early action on the merits will now be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

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